

**REMARKS**

Claims 5-10 are pending in this application.

Claims 5-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Claims 5, 6, 8 and 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

The claims have now been amended.

Claims 6 and 7 have now been cancelled without prejudice.

It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

Reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

**Allowable Subject Matter**

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that claim 10 is allowed.

**Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112**

Claims 5-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Specifically, the Office Action sets forth that each of independent claims 5 and 9 include recitations that are unclear. It is respectfully submitted that amended claims 5 and 9 are definite. Claims 5 and 9 have each now been amended and the sections listed in the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, have been cancelled from the claims. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

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Claim 9 has now been amended to recite:

cooling plate guide and retaining elements comprising inner walls of the housing laterally bounding the interrupting chambers, first retaining elements of the cover and pocket-like formations in the bottom of the housing; and  
arc splitter stack guide and retaining elements comprising inner walls of the housing laterally bounding the interrupting chamber and pocket-like second retaining elements of the cover.

Support for the amendment may be found, for example, in paragraphs [0016] and [0017] of the Specification. It is respectfully submitted that neither Uchida nor Yamamoto teach or suggest these features. For example, as set forth above with respect to claim 5, neither Uchida nor Yamamoto teach or suggest pocket-like formations in the bottom of the housing as recited in amended claim 9. Because neither Uchida nor Yamamoto teach or suggest these features, neither reference can anticipate claim 9.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 5 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in view of Uchida and the rejection of claims 5, 6, 8 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in view of Yamamoto is respectfully requested.

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In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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